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WE OWE WATER

SMITH ADDRESSES IRRIGATION CONGRESS.

At a Pay Choice Installation to the Reclamation Service—Irrigate and Land Plant, Then Webster.

The following address was read by County Surveyor E. N. Smith at the annual meeting of the State Irrigation Congress held at Hood River, Oregon, Nov. 15.

It is an obligation it is our duty to the future and to the present to make the best use of the water we have for the sake of the land, of our crops and for the benefit of the people of the United States.

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SOME HINTS OF CONSPIRACY

SENATOR FULTON IS SUSPECTED OF LAND FRAUDS.

Government Agents Making Investigation on Unsettled Reservation—Prominent Politicians Said to be Involved.

Governmental investigation of the title to certain lands in the Umatilla Indian reservation now in progress is believed in some quarters to be the forerunner of a systematic effort on the part of the Land Department at Washington to connect Senator Fulton in some way with the Oregon land frauds, says the Oregonian.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Mamie Gibson, nee Wilson, was born Sept. 18, 1871, in Union county, Oregon, and died Nov. 9, 1906, at Harney City, Oregon. Her parents, brothers and sisters reside in Union county. One brother, Frank Wilson, was county judge there for several years. Deceased had been a sufferer for many years and finally passed into the ruthless hands of grim death.

She was united in marriage to James Gibson five years ago this Nov. 27th, by Rev. A. J. Irwin, and while her death casts a gloom over the entire community, let us try to imitate her Christian example and at last meet her in the land of the blessed where pain and sickness are unknown. She leaves a husband to mourn her whose kind and watchful care and devotion seemed never to tire.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. J. Irwin at the Presbyterian church in Harney at 11 o'clock a. m. Nov. 10 and the remains were laid to rest in the Harney City cemetery, followed by the largest concourse of friends that ever attended a funeral at this place.

Another friend and neighbor has been taken from us.

A FRIEND.

Stockmen Will Use Brand Book.

One of the most important steps taken by the Crook County Cattlemen's association, which was in session at the court house last Saturday, was the adoption of a brand book, which will be a prominent feature from now on with the owners of stock throughout the county.

Notification will be sent to all owners of stock residing in the county to forward to the secretary of the association all brands and other marks showing ownership and owned by the stockmen. These brand marks will be recorded in a book kept by the secretary for that purpose and will serve nicely as an instant's perusal of the book's pages will identify clearly all stock owned in the county. In this way ownership can be established, without danger of error, in a few seconds' time.—Prineville Journal.

Made Happy for Life.

Great happiness came into the home of S. C. Blair, school superintendent, at St. Albans, W. Va., when the little daughter was restored from the dreadful complaint he named. "He says: 'My little daughter had St. Vitus' Dance, which yielded to no treatment but grew steadily worse until as a last resort we tried Electric Bitters; and I rejoice to say, three bottles effected a complete cure.' " Quick cure for nervous complaints, general debility, female weakness, impoverished blood and malaria. Guaranteed by City Drug Store. Price 50c.

A Washington, D. C., woman prominent in the official set of the National capital tells of a function to which she had invited an attaché of one of the legations famous for his extreme politeness. The invitation was formally accepted, but on the morning of the appointed day she received a note, written by the diplomat's valet, and couched in the following terms:

"Senator Blank regrets much that he will not be able to attend Mrs. So-and-So's reception on the evening of the 22d instant, as he is dead."—Harper's.

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OUR CLIMATE IS CHANGING

UNABLE TO ADVANCE A CAUSE FOR THE CHANGE.

An Old Timer Tells a Prineville Paper of Vast Moderation in Temperature of Eastern Oregon Lately.

John Y. Todd, the veteran rancher of Squaw creek, and has been a resident of Eastern and Central Oregon for 50 years, came into Prineville on Tuesday on business. Mr. Todd emphatically asserts that Central Oregon's climate has undergone a remarkable change in the past twenty-five years. Thirty years ago, he says, the Columbia river used to freeze over at The Dalles so that cattle were driven across in bunches in perfect safety. This occurred often. Almost every winter it would be 35 below zero for weeks at a time.

The writer has seen, in 1883-4, cattle, horses and sheep driven across the Columbia, on the ice. Everybody in The Dalles who had a team and cutter went out on Sunday afternoon, and for miles the icy boom of the river was dotted black with people driving along to the crisp air. So far as we know of, no such thing has happened since the winter of 1884.

Mr. Todd tells of the startling change that has come over Crook county's climate since 25 years ago. In the Squaw creek country farmers were unable to grow small fruits of any kind. Now they can raise anything they want to and not half try. The temperature has become cooler in summer and milder in winter. This Mr. Todd is positive about. While being unable to advance a cause for the change he nevertheless insists that it has come about, the most marked moderation having come along about 1880. Since then there has been no appreciable change. Others have remarked the same thing, and it is not for the younger generation, whose memories do not reach back so far, to question them.

C. I. Winnick, who keeps the government instruments, says there has been no change to speak of during the time he has had charge of the Prineville weather, about 7 years. He maintains the records are about the same for the same time each year, and a difference of 10 degrees would be hard to find.—Prineville Review.

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